

Supporting Statement for  
ETA 191 Statement of Expenditures and Financial Adjustments of  
Federal Funds for Unemployment Compensation for  
Federal Employees and Ex-Servicemembers (UCFE/UCX)

A. Justification.

1. Public Law 97-362, Miscellaneous Revenue Act of 1982 amended the UCX law (5 U.S.C. 8509) and Public Law 96-499, Omnibus Reconciliation Act, Amended the UCFE law (5 U.S.C. 8501, et. Seq.) and requires each Federal Employing agency to pay the costs of regular and extended UCFE/UCX benefits paid to its employees by the state workforce agencies (SWAs).

By submittal of Form ETA 191 each quarter, SWAs will show the amount of benefits that should be charged to each Federal employing agency. ETA will aggregate the quarterly charges reported on the Form ETA 191 and submit on official bill (showing all States' charges) to each Federal agency that is being charged. Federal agencies will reimburse the Federal Employees Compensation (FEC) Account, maintained by the U.S. Treasury. This collection is authorized by the Social Security Act, Section 303 (a)(6)(see attached).

2. This report is used by ETA to bill Federal and military agencies for costs incurred by SWAs in paying unemployment insurance benefits to the employees of these agencies. Each SWAs reports to ETA benefit charges by Federal/military agencies. These charges are aggregated for each agency and billed to the individual agencies. Without this data, ETA could not bill these agencies separately as required in the laws cited in statement # 1. If ETA were unable to bill these Federal and military agencies, such agencies would be unable to reimburse the FEC Account. This would further result in the account not having available resources to cover UCFE and UCX benefit payments.
3. SWAs may use technology available to them to produce the paper report. However, ETA strongly encourages the SWAs to electronically transmit the quarterly ETA 191 report. The Office of Workforce Security plans to have the infrastructure developed to allow states submit reports via the internet during 2006.
4. This information is not available elsewhere.

5. The collection of data does not involve small business or other small entities.
6. Less frequent reports will result in less frequent reimbursements to the FEC Account which may result in insufficient funds being available to pay unemployment benefits to Federal claimants and Ex-Servicemembers.
7. Collection is consistent with 5 CFR 1320.5 (d) (2).
8. This was published in the Federal Register on(ENTER DATE) requesting public comment for the ETA 191 data collection. OWS received (INSERT COMMENTS).
9. There is no remuneration to respondents other than the usual payment to states to operate the program.
10. There is no assurance of confidentiality.
11. There are no questions of a sensitive nature.
12. Estimated burden hours are derived by:

53 SWAs X 4 ETA 191 reports per year X 6hours per report  
= 1,272 burden hours                      The burden disclosure  
statement will appear on the ETA 191. The Federal government  
pays the salaries of the state staff which, at \$34.45 per hour,  
the estimated cost is \$43,820. This figure is based on the FY  
2006 average salary for SWA staff. However, the federal  
government pays the salaries of the state staff, so there is no  
direct cost to the state.

13. There are no questions of a sensitive nature.
14. The ETA 191 data is submitted electronically by states and stored on a Department owned computer along with many other reports. There are no direct additional Federal Costs in processing this report.
15. There is no change in burden.
16. This information is not published.

17. ETA will display the OMB control number and expiration date on the ETA 191 hard copy form, and will inform state agencies of OMB approval via the issuance of a UI Program Letter. In addition, a listing of current OMB control numbers and expiration dates are displayed within the UI required reports.
18. There are no exceptions.